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For: DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS HAVING A
FLASH MEMORY BUILT-IN WHICH IS REWRITABLE
BY USE OF EXTERNAL DEVICE

Group: 2818

Examiner: V. LE

SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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May 2, 2005

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants, through their undersigned representative, are submitting herewith a copy and a listing therefor of Japanese patent document JP-A-60-256868, in form PTO/SB/08A, which was cited in an Office Action in a counterpart Japanese application, for the U.S. PTO's consideration. A copy of the foreign Office Action as well as an English language version thereof are enclosed herewith.

It is noted that three (3) Japanese patent documents were cited in the Office Action of the counterpart Japanese application. However, the third listed Japanese patent document therein, namely, JP-A-63-206852 is already of record in the file history of the above-identified application and is, in fact, listed in the initial Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) submitted with the application papers with the present application. Also, it is noted that the first listed cited

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Japanese patent document in the foreign Office Action, i.e., JP-A-62-099856, corresponds to U.S. Patent 4,807,114 (Ito et al.) which is of record in the current file history and was listed in the initial IDS of the present application. Therefore, for purposes of this IDS, only the second listed cited Japanese Patent document in the Office Action in the counterpart Japanese application is presently being listed in Form PTO/SB/08A and is to be considered for purposes of the present IDS. However, a copy of the JP-A-62-099856 (corresponding to U.S. Patent 4,807,114) is also provided to complete the record.

This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), is being submitted before the payment of the Issue Fee and, accordingly, is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d). An authorized credit card payment form, covering the fee amount of \$180.00, set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p), in accordance with the requirement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d)(2), is enclosed herewith. Additionally, the following statement, as specified under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(1), is being made:

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It is submitted this Information Disclosure Statement is compliance with the Rules of Practice as well as U.S. PTO guidelines. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that it be entered and duly considered by the U.S. PTO.

Also, acknowledgement of such entry as well as of formal consideration thereof by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

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